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For: RHODANINE DERIVATIVES AND

THEIR USE IN INHIBITING AND

IMAGING AMYLOIDS

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.143 AND ELECTION OF SPECIES UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.146

Sir:

In response to the requirement for restriction applicants elect, for prosecution on the merits in this application, the invention of Group V, encompassing Claims 1-7, drawn to compounds of Formula I wherein Y is phenyl or naphthalene and R¹ and R² does not form a ring, the compositions and methods of use. This election is made with traverse.

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In addition, applicants elect the species, (Z) 2-(5-(4-(Hexyl-methyl-amino)-benzylidene)-4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidan-3-yl)-ethanesulfonic acid. This compound has the generic Formula I where Y is phenyl substituted with $-N(R^1)R^2$ and R^5 ; X^1 and X^2 is

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 —(CH₂)_y-Z; X is —S—OH and wherein R¹ is methyl; R² is hexyl; R⁵ is hydrogen;

Z is hydrogen; and y is 2, for prosecution on the merits in this application if no patentable generic claim is identified. Applicants submit that all the claims currently in this application, Claims 1 to 11, read on this species. This species election is made with traverse.